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Justinian could scarcely perhaps
have avoided his Persian wars.
The first Persian War was forced
upon him the year after his
accession.

It brought into prominence
BELISARIUS (505-565), the
brilliant soldier to whom
the Empire was mainly indebted

for the military glories of his reign.
The power of the Sassanid dynasty
in Persia, revived under KOBAD, who
had fought a drawn battle with
Anastasius.

Now after 20 yrs of peace, he
renewed his aggression and
invaded Mesopotamia.

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BELISARIUS, the famous general,
defeated the Persians

East Empire

6th century AD 528 AD

The enormous bulk of Roman law from all sources was codified.

Justinian convened a commission of scholars to gather and classify the vast, disorganized, and often contradictory mass of law that had accumulated during centuries of Roman gov't.

Result: JUSTINIAN CODE